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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

A concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the attached English abstracts and on page 5 of the specification.

The present application was filed after June 30, 2003, and in accordance with the Pre-OG Notice dated July 11, 2003, copies of the published U.S. patent documents are not enclosed but will gladly be furnished if so requested.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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